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10/518,892	06/22/2005	Herbert Faehrrolfes	040621	2861

TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR FORMING A METALLIC FLAT MATERIAL, PRODUCTION METHOD FOR A COMPOSITE MATERIAL AND DEVICES FOR CARRYING OUT SAID METHODS

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Bryan Opalko on 3/4/10.

The application has been amended as follows:

SPECIFICATION

- (A) [0001], lines 1 and 2, "according to the preamble of claim 21 used" has been deleted.
- (B) [0001], line 3, "according to the preamble of claim 37" has been deleted.
- (C) [0002], lines 1 and 2, "according to the preamble of claim 52" has been deleted.
- (D) [0002], lines 4 and 5, "according to claim 52' has been deleted.
- (E) [0002], line 5, "according to the preamble of claim 59" has been deleted.
- (F) [0002]. Line 6, "according to claim 52" has been deleted.
- (G) [0009], lines 1 and 2, "having the feature of claim 21" has been deleted.
- (H) [0009], line 2, "having the feature of claim 37" has been deleted.
- (I) [0009], line 4, "having the features of claim 52' has been deleted.
- (J) [0009], line 6, "claimed' has been deleted.
- (K) [0009], line 6, "having the feature' has been deleted.
- (L) [0009], line 7, "according to claim 59' has been deleted.
- (M) [0024], lines 1 and 2, "according to the preamble of claim 37" has been deleted.

(N)[0034], line 2, ", as defined in claim 52' has been deleted.

- (O) [0037], line 2, "of claim 52' has been deleted.
- (P) [0038], line 3, "as defined in one of the claims 37-51 and 59-62," has been deleted.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JOHN C. HONG whose telephone number is 571-272-4529. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9:00-17:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, DAVID BRYANT can be reached on 571-272-4526. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/JOHN C HONG/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3726

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